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TO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY

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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR BAH MEETS WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY TO
DISCUSS GUINEAN FOOD SITUATION

1- IN EARLY JUNE, GUINEAN AMBASSADOR BAH REQUESTED AN
APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT FORD TO DISCUSS TWO LETTERS
PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE HAS SENT TO PRESIDENT FORD DATED,
APRIL 21 AND MAY 10. AT SUGGESTION AFRICAN BUREAU,
AMBASSADOR BAH DECIDED TO ACCEPT INVITATION BY DEPUTY
SECRETARY TO DISCUSS LETTERS AND RELATED MATTERS ON JULY 7.

2. AMBASSADOR BAH READ EXCERPTS FROM BOTH OF SEKOU TOURE'S
LETTERS EMPHASIZING 1) GUINEA'S APPRECIATION OF US FOOD
AID EXTENDED THUS FAR, AND 2) NEED FOR GENEROUS PROGRAM
IN NEW FISCAL YEAR. AMBASSADOR BAH MENTIONED SPECIFIC
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NEED FOR MILK AND PEANUTS, AS WELL AS COMMODITIES WHICH

HAVE BEEN PROVIDED UNDER TITLE I PROGRAMS OVER PAST
SEVERAL YEARS. AMBASSADOR NOTED PRESIDENT TOURE WAS
PLEASED WITH RESULT OF Drame mission to US in early May.

3. MR. INGERSOLL ASSURED AMBASSADOR THAT US WOULD CONSIDER
GUINEA'S REQUEST FOR FY-76 FOOD ASSISTANCE. HE STRESSED
THAT SIZE OF US HARVEST THIS YEAR AND EXTENT OF WORLD-WIDE

FOOD NEEDS WOULD CONDITION OUR ABILITY TO BE FULLY
RESPONSIVE. DEPUTY SECRETARY NOTED KEEN US INTEREST IN
BOOSTING LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION. TURNING TO ALUMINUM
SITUATION, MR. INGERSOLL EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT
WESTERN COMPANIES AND GUINEA GOVERNMENT HAD REACHED
MUTUALLY AMICABLE SETTLEMENT REGARDING PAYMENT OF BAUXITE
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